

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****ADDRESSEE:**

Rudolf Neumann

**Examiner:**

Rodney T. Frank

**Application**

10/756,675

**Confirmation**

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**Group Art**

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**For:****METHOD AND DEVICE TO CHECK THE BEARING GAP OF A  
HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action of September 30, 2004 for the above-identified patent application.

**FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS**
☒ A fee for additional claims is not required.

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The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

|  | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid For | Present<br>Extra | Rate       | Additional Fee |
|--|---|---|------------------|------------|----------------|
| Total Claims   | 25  | - 25  | = 0              | x \$50.00  | = \$0.00       |
| Independent<br>Claims                                  | 2   | - 2   | = 0              | x \$200.00 | = \$0.00       |
| First Presentation<br>of a Multiple<br>Dependent Claim |   |   |                  | + \$360.00 | = \$0.00       |

**TOTAL = \$0.00**

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$XXX in payment of the fee for additional claims is transmitted herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.20 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0675, Order No. 057517.0053. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.
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EXTENSION FEE

- ☒ The following extension fee is applicable to the Reply filed herewith: \$120.00 extension fee for response within One month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2004 on which the shortened  
statutory period for response expires on December 30, 2004. A Petition for One-Month  
Extension of Time is being submitted herewith. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begin on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.